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For : IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO PEPTIDE DELIVERY

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

Prior to the consideration of this continuing application, it is requested that the amendments below be entered.

The original shortened-statutory period for a response in the parent application was set to expire on April 26, 2001, however, a petition to extend the time for one month or until May 26, 2001, together with a requisite fee accompanies this paper.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please rewrite claim 1 as follows:

1. (Three Times Amended) A chimaeric polypeptide comprising:

- B1
- sub G4
- (a) a binding portion comprising at least a portion of an immunoglobulin molecule having specific binding affinity for a eucaryotic target cell surface component;
  - (b) an effector portion consisting of at least one copy of an immunogenic peptide; and
  - (c) a signal from another source directing the immunogenic peptide to a particular cellular component, whereby binding of the chimaeric polypeptide to the cell surface component induces internalisation of at least the effector portion to allow the at least one copy of the